READING.

There's no Pocket in a Shroud. Your aveyour many millions.

Aler De Ray and festive crowd; There in pocket in a shroud. Wether papper, prince or peasant.

Whether rich or poor or proud, Remember that there isn't Att pecket in a shroud. You have all this world of glory, With a round long and loud.

April a place in song and story, But no pocket in your shroud. so be levish of your riches, No ther vain nor cold nor proud And you'll gain the golden riches in a clime without a cloud!

-John A. Joice.

The Old Homestead.

fwas when the sunset flushes Gilder the dear old home. When twilight's solemn hushes Bade holy memories come. We lingered, fondly turning Toward the spot we loved so well. With sad and tender yearning To say our last farewell.

No more for us the garden And love-wreathed rooms to foam : The stranger there is warden-No, no, 'tis not his home! It bath 140 memories bringing For him joy kin to pain; For him no echoes sulging Shall bring the loved again.

Sweet home! dear home! o'erflowing With precious memories! Not life an all its going Shall bring more blest than these. Vilear, bright picture ever. As then, when sunset fell. funth-gilded, thou forever We'll love, sweet home, farewell! -Eugene J. Hall.

> [For the Citizen.] Sea Yarns.

RY UNOHOO. No. 11.

but very carefully. In the afternoon fore the time he thinks it will be and I out of our bunks, upset the be made before the exact longitude is ascer- a friend who called out: and landed my bedding on the tained. I trust, however, the foregoing will

and I very much doubt that the look- called), approached the rooster, and bobbing as ever a vessel sailed in this longi- drowned quickly. It seemed hard to leave 1 1 remember reading of Dr. him to his fate.

the past seven days, and every wind funnel, where it lay smouldering for an hour azine. thows (except those from the west and or two, until the wind fanned it into a - (All) drives us further from aid, towards a flame. - sion no human being attempts to penetrate, toon necessity. If there was in into the cabin and reported,

by morning, if it did then. It seemed terbet twith, except an eagle; yet that by morning, if it did then. It seemed terbet transformed into fibre of excellent quality "You can make yours," said the girl. the purpose named.

birds with us to-day, if laid across the parlor perhaps, were facing a horrible death, of an ordinary dwelling in New York, and Would it do any good to send up a Miss Minnie Mattaran, going slowly along er, laughing Quarters are quarters to with the wings extended, the tips would rocket?" touch the walls each side-vet its body is not proportioned to the wings. One would fancy that a bird with such wings would Although it was dark and I could not see blown rose in the belt of her white dress have a body at least six feet in length, but Mrs. L- 's face, I could well imagine the was a very picture that might have been the body of a large albatross is not larger look of horror with which she must have called a rose in bloom by any artist sho than that of a good sized goose.

captain at sea ascertains his position every kind hearted he was, and had known of his look happy. Now that no one was looking day. It is quite puzzling and it is impossi- losing much valuable time in reaching an and she was alone with nature, the corners ble to give here a practical explanation, but old wreck, rather than keep his course and of her mouth drooped, and tears filled her I can give an idea of how it is accomplished, perhaps leave some poor mortal to die, it sweet blue eves. Rich, lovely and admired saw me before, did you?

We without stating the actual method pursued. was plain to me that the whole thing was a as she was, she had a great trouble in her property to my known to the first stating the actual method pursued. In the first place then, it must be under joke. A closer examination of the flames heart. Roger Delany was going awaystood that by the term "zenith" is meant a showed it to be too narrow to be a ship on Roger, who loved her, she felt quite su point directly over one's head, no matter fire, and it had not increased in size or and whom she loved with all the strength where one may be, and that when the sun volume since first reported. reaches the zenith it is directly over one's A short time after leaving New York. Iv. He was going because she was rich and head, or at an angle of just 90 degrees from Mr. Allen had told me that as soon as he he poor; and he would not speak of what the horizon.

sun is above the horizon. At the top it has after scraping the decks of the surplus pitch, The grief of being an orphan was rather a small lookingglass from which extends a (they having been newly caulked in New a negative one, for she could not remember long bar having a slide attached, that runs Zealand), the pitch had been saved. The either of her parents, and an excellent over a graduated scale of degrees at the fire aboard to day suggested the idea of maiden aunt had been more of a mother the instrument is a small telescope, in front barrel was sawed in half, and a peck of coal ters. All was well with her except of which is a frame, having in the lower put in one half, as ballast, the remaining here, where Roger Delany was concern half a piece of lookingglass and in the upper half being chopped into small pieces and and for that very reason she felt her troi a plain piece of glass, the edges of these piled on top. The whole was covered with to be great. He loved her, she loved he glasses joining smoothly and perfectly. In pitch and the tub swung over the stern, and next week he was going away, far away using the instrument, the reflection of the A quart of turpentine was then added, then in Colorado, and she dared not say a wi sun is caught upon the small lookingglass at a dozen wax matches, struck at one time to stop him-she, who would willingly h the top of the instrument, and looking and dropped in. As a big sea rolled up had him always at her side. through the telescope, the slide to which astern the tub was lowered and floated off. For Roger Delany was poor, and luck glass in the centre of the instrument, in Allen announced the fire as narrated. such a way that the lower edge of the sun Mrs. L was greatly agitated. It one; his, destitute of a grandfather of imexactly touches the horizon (the top of the seemed very hard and cruel, in her mind, portance enough to remember, with piece of lookingglass being on a line with that no one made an effort to help the supestate or position, and decidedly uneducated. the horizon); when this occurs, the scale on posed poor unfortunites. She became very Roger had educated himself by dint of the instrument gives the height of the sun nervous and excited, and therefore, I finally, many sacrifices; he was a gentleman at above the horizon or its altitude. In this told her the truth, but it was some time be- every point; but in that an exception to the way the latitude for the day is ascertained. fore she would believe "so cruel a practical general rule of those of his name. I am only giving a rough idea; to eludidate joke" had been played. Had such a termi- Miss Mattaran-old General Mattaran's o the whole method would be impractical anation been anticipated the joke would not daughter by his pretty young second wi ble here. There are several calculations to have been perpetrated. However, the who could trace her descent from old May be made and tables of figures to consult be- captain produced his last package of candy, flower people-would only too gladly his fore the exact latitude is ascertained, but the which was quickly disposed of, and, calming changed her name for his. result all hinges upon "the sight of the troubled waters, by midnight we were She was of age-her own mistress.

We are having strong gales and very To get the longitude, the captain takes The captain is "lugging" his instrument on deck a few moments bebrionsail burst and the greater part watches the sun (through the little telescope) ortant sails-the royal and jib-topsail, o'clock. That instant the captain calls, these sails break over the brig and pounds the cabin clock to moon. Now (supposing how broken up the city would be, and he queen. a linst the quarters pretty loudly. The the ship's chronometer to be correct) when had his fears that nothing would be done in the paving line, and that all building would who married a rich woman placed himself the night and by S A. M. was down to 29.00 chronometer (which keeps Greenwich time) at once stop dead still. However, the prominent citizen at length over and over again that Miss Mattaran was ows and and it reached 28 75. In the north are, therefore, exactly 10 hours and 20 decided to go, and he got off quietly. No-Attantic this would be very low and a hurminutes ahead of Greenwich time or of the body rushed out to stop him and beg him to views of his life because of his emotions. would certainly follow, but in this meridian. As I have heretofore explained, put off his journey, and as far as he has region the barometric changes seem to corres if one sails east or west of Greenwich, every since learned the council passed no resowith those of the extreme northern Arc degree passed over makes a difference of lutions of regret. He returned the other regions. Sudden squalls came after break four minutes, so that by reducing the 10 evening, and great was his surprise to find hours and 20 minutes, and divid- the city still here. It hadn't strayed or been "Stand by the top gallant halliards." The ing by four, it shows us to be in longitude stolen. The City Hall hadn't tumbled down. the has rolled heavier to-day than I have 155,° But chronometers are never exactly and he couldn't find grass growing in any the known it to do. In the afternoon it right, and for other reasons I cannot explain of the business streets. This was bad a tremendous lurch, that sent the here, there are a number of calculations to enough, but as he walked up street he met

Several heavy seas have struck us give a general idea of "how it is done." Towards midnight the wind hauled dead trip to New England." the nervous, as on the previous voyage a aft and the big mainsail was taken in. sea carried away all the forward part While it was being lowered the man at the you,' require mad the two forward tiers of state wheel was told to keep the brig "up in the The sides of the cabin are built of wind " a couple of points, to shake the wind louisbers and the girders overhead of out of the canvas. This he did, but while 10 12 pieces, yet the wave crushed the peak was being lowered, he "heaved ose in as easily as though they had been the wheel up," and the sail filled. The fact!" Some of our sailors are good vessel was rolling heavily, and as the gaff barometer was so low, yet the sky kept sea. Fortunately he was enabled to retain the showing occa. his hold upon the halliards, and on the next ble-looking man who said; ally, and at night the moon finally came lurch of the vessel was swung aboard again. bright and clear. Altogether it has Our rooster, a noble old brahma, commita somewhat remarkable day. From ted suicide to-day. He and his wives have in to four o'clock there were four beauti- been living continuously, forward under the worth about four dollars."

and clearly defined rainbows: another forecastle deck near the chain lockers. To-6.30 P. M., and a sixth at 10.30 P. M., day the steward let them all out for an airthe moon shining clearly! This is ing. The rooster had never before shown id of my previous yarn, and I am anxious any sign of despondency, and no reason for meet some one who can explain the the rash act can be given. He had always been well fed and in comfortable quarters. We are scudding along at a distance of Shortly after dinner he was seen at the 11 400 miles from the boundary line of knight's head, gazing into the water, when, solid we of the Antarctic regions. In suddenly uttering a loud cry, he flew overlandade in which we are now running board. He no doubt repented the rash act some primeval Nile, we should find ourselves as soon as he felt the chill of the cold water. surrounded by strange and somewhat moment we may encounter icebergs, which but his repentance came too late. The caphas season of the year, are to the south tain got out his pistol to shoot him and end varied and beautiful world in which we our as, commencing to break loose and to his misery, but before he was ready the selves now live. The huge foliage of ginormwards. When the wind blows bird was too far astern. We all felt sorry gantic tree ferns and titantic club-messes an iceberg the chill can be felt, but for the poor thing, but could not help smiling would wave over our heads, while a green blowing towards the ice, and especially while watching the mancevours of the sea carpet of pretty trailing creepers would dense fors that come frequently, we birds. No sooner did they spy old chanti- spread luxuriantly over the damp soil beat the moment run upon one. The cleer than down beside him they all huddled neath our feet. Great swampy flats would repentedly cautions both mates to round and round in circles, the large birds stretch around us on every side; or instead a sharp lookout, but it is difficult to inside and the gulls outside. After a little of the rocky or undulating hills of our fa-

e and other Arctic explorers, and of Shortly after dinner to-day, the man at the Arctic regions at some im the wheel cried out, "Fire!" and pointed to sely indefinite distance from New York, the roof of the galley from which a blaze scarlet flower, golden fruit, or gay butterfly The more idea of an actual distance than some three feet high shot up suddenly, we of the heavenly bodies; yet here I Mr. Allen and others were quickly on the coloring to the continuous verdure of that to day, sailing along-on the very borders roof and soon extinguished it. When the more than tropical fo. est. Green, and green, The very thought of main staysail was last hoisted, the tarpauliu wes me a gloomy feeling. Here we are used to cover it when furled, to prevent the on this boundless expanse of water, sol. smoke from the galley stove blacking it, had unrelieved mass of harsh and angular ver ty and alone. Not a sail have we seen been carelessly thrown on top of the stove

there's now moving, is anything but a as it loomed up out of the pitchy darkness voice. I thought you knowed."—Merchant

the very old as their feathers were answer, as it was too apparent that to ware fibre of the dwarf palm, so abundant in Al- would not pay you any sum I could afford the sorry that I can give no description of around and face a gale of wind such as we geria, is likely to prove of great industrial to hold your tongue. We all know the past, sorry that I can give no description of around a local geria, is likely to prove of great industrial to hold your tongue. We all know the past, principles and systems rarely puts cordiality lighting gas in de cellar?"

The beginning them. An enting as about flue as, cellar, but holy Moses, we are then having, dead ahead, as it would importance. It appears that every part, but we none of us know how much worse into a head shale. the distribution of the stalk to the topmost leaves, may the future can be."

regarded the captain, after this apparently had been there to paint it. Very few, I presume, understand how a brutal speech; but as I knew how really She looked beautiful, but she did not you go to Colorado.

had an empty tar barrel, and there came a he felt while this was so; and until he spoke Captains and first mates carry instruments dark night, he intended to set the barrel on she must not even look her love. It was that are made to ascertain the distance the fire and drop it overboard. I learned that her first great trial. bottom of the instrument. In the centre of having an illumination at night. A flour her than many real ones are to their daughthe glass is attached is moved until the a blazing, terrifying mass. When it had there is such a thing, had been against I sun's image is cast upon the half looking. passed off to a reasonable distance, Mr. and there was the bugbear of fau

all snoring as usual.

The Prominent Citizen. letter arrived a few days ago demanding his hoard around, she had met him at a friend's what she would so gladly hear."

"Hello! Blank, going away?" No. sir; I have returned from a month's

A few steps further on he encountered another, who was still more surprised to as she passed the hollow where a grpsy hear that he had been absent, and added:

The prominent citizen reached home to elussmen and others are not, and it is due swung over, Dick (our best sailor) who was find everything running as smoothly and dusky, brutal looking men lay idly about to wild steering than anything else, to windward hauling on the peak halliards, satisfactorily as when he left. It was a and smoked. A fire burnt against a big, so many seas strike us aft. Although was thrown ten feet over the side into the great shock to him, but the climax came gray rock, a kettle hung over a flame of when he was called to the door to see a hum- gray rock, a kettle nung over a name of the wood and told his fortune, and so bing up serenely and sinking down with blo looking man who said.

"You know I was talking with you three sort. or four days ago about trimming up your trees and I called to say it would be a job

The prominent citizen had returned.

What of it? - Detroit Free Press.

The Carboniferous Jungle.

If we could transplant ourselves from the gardens and groves of the nineteenth century into the midst of a carboniferous jungle on the delta of some forgotton Amazon or reolize the danger from such a a huge captain (as a white albatross is miliar Europe, we should probably see the his head rapidly and repeatedly, seemed to es, unlifted as yet by the slow upheaval of

species so strange to me that I should be interview him, while the gulls and other ages into the Alps or Pyrenees of the a such car the frozen world. Less than birds drew closer, as though to listen to modern continent. But the most striking what was said. I hope the poor thing peculiarity of the scene would doubtless be colors. Earth beneath and primitive trees overhead would all alike present a single field of unbroken and unvarying green. would rest alike upon one monotonous and

"Oh, Johnny!" "Yes, ma'am." "For trimmer, than most of her sort. the thousands of miles of field-ice and large glare of light that looked simply awful yelling at?" "I'm yelling at the top of my him again.

The method proposed some time since by "Do you think you could tell it? If Mrs. L——, but the question needed no Mrs. L——,

Fortune-Telling.

the road in the pleasant summer afternoon. "Can nothing be done?" from Mrs. L with the sweet color in her cheeks repeated road He's a rich man. Prophesy for him Oh, let 'em rip!" said the captain. in a floating feather in her hat, and a full

of her womanly heart, purely, truly, tender-

Hers an old one, a rich one, an educated

few worthy people "wondered," would she care? The only difficulty

that he did not ask her. He did not mean to, unless he came He was supposed to be worth a hundred from Colorado a rich man. He was too

> in a false position; and though he wished poor, he had no thought of changing his

The love had grown in his heart, however, and this was why he was going away, to make his fortune if he could, in order to lay it at her feet. He was well aware of the speak to her." chances against him. He knew fortunes to marry; but still he took the chances

Minnie Mattaran, walking slowly un the road, was thinking of this. She knew that they parted he had told his love and she was in his mind as well as if he had told had accepted him. her, and wild dreams of what she could do Indeed! Why, I hadn't even missed to stop him without doing anything unwomanly and unconventional filled her mind, no hope. Now I can do anything." camp had lately been pitched. She paused. horses were grazing in their little inclosure; the children runnning wild everywhere: or two women were getting a meal of some

> Some amongst the idle ones spied her, and a gypsy girl, in a red cloak, came clamif she would have her fortune told.

A girl in love is sure to be ready for any folly. Minnie laid her palm in the pretty dark creature's hand, and listened to a little promise of happy love, and the man of her choice at her feet, with a thrill of pleasure. She knew it was all nonsense, but it comforted her. And as she stood there, an idea came into her head.

you well?" she asked. it, too. What is it?"

at your own price.

is going to a fancy ball," she said "and l leave it to herself what she will pay "she part of the woods as soon as she could get it.

"It will be this costume, but my new dress-my best dress," she said, "far pret-

done up in a ragged newspaper. That evening, as Roger Delany entered a

He paused, instead of passing with laugh, as he should have said he would, and answered with a question:

"I can't afford it," said the school teach poor folks. But the squire is coming up the

" Perhaps he'd put us all in jail for it. said the gypsy. "Come, I don't want your money. If I tell you how to make your fortune, you can give me something when it is would try to make right in the year, 1883, made. We're sure to meet again, even if

"Eh?" he cried, turning quickly, "Who has been talking to you about me

"Nobody," replied the girl. "You never "Never to my knowledge," replied

"Yet I can tell you more than your dearest friends can, said the girl. "You daren't the editor. look me in the face and say you are not in

"Daren't I?" replied the man.

"Swear it," said the gypsy, in a voice that trembled as she spoke, "and I will be changed?" leave you. For a man who is not in love I have no need to read the stars.

many can hope to be to hide her identity off the bad talk; and two other fellers. from the man who loves her, under any cir- they're goin' to stop. cumstances or any disguise.

Roger Delany knew who stood before him realy like to know. on the instant. Despite the dark traids of ... Well, I just said when I heard 'em, hair with which she had covered her golden . What dive want to say that for?' and they locks, the dusky paint upon her face and stared and said, 'Cos; guess I've got a the gypsy dress; one little quiver in the right to do what I please! And then I voice, taught him the truth. It was not like didn't get mad and say, 'No, you ain't,' but Miss Mattaran to play a practical joke for I said. Well, s'pose vou have, but I wish the sake of laughing at him If she had a vou wouldn't; and sometimes they laughed r motive, it was a deeper one. His heart be and sometimes they poked fun; but two of gan to beat wildly He was so greatly agi em swore off, and another one said he would tated that he feared to speak, but after a if we'd just let him say Jimminy cricks! pause he forced himself to answer calmly: And we did: we thought that wasn't "Fortune-tellers who ask questions are swearin at all."

not to my mind. I ask you to tell me whether I am in love or not?"

"You are," replied the gypsy. With whom !" asked Roger. 'A blonde woman."

"You hit the mark for once," said Roger. What else do you know of her?" "She is rich," said the gypsy.

"Go on." "That is why you are going away." "Perhaps you are right."

"I am; but you are wrong."

" Why ?" It was the gypsy's turn to pause when

Roger asked the question. Miss Mattaran had imposed almost too "But would be tell you?"

her," replied the gypsy, and stepping back- ing himself and others to reform. I do not ground we then took. ward she turned and vanished in the shad write his last name, because I know he is in 11 it needed nearly a hundred tons of

down upon a fallen log, and hid his face in friends who have not been running to the that it would have required quite three.

he arose. "But I will see her first. I will

An hour afterward Mr. Roger Delany's were hard to make; that out of sight was card was brought to Miss Mattaran. And out of mind, and that pretty girls were apt she, fair as a lily, clad in virgin white, and with her soft, pale gold hair wound in a bore no resemblence to the dusky gypsy and the agent, in handing each one of them who had met him in the woods. Before a nickel cigar, was careful to observe:

he said. "I should have had no ambition.

for two long years live on sweet memories "And the papers didn't even mention the and looked down into its green depths. The and long, fond letters and beautiful home. ried. Their home is one of the happiest in chair and respectfully observed: Colorado. Their confidence is perfect. There is but one secret that she keeps from order." him-the story of how she played gypsy in

There is but one that he keeps from her. It is that he knew the gypsy under her disguise. That he will keep to himself as a bering up from amongst the bushes to ask sweet memory as long as he lives.—Mary Kyle Dallas.

Hand-Shaking Described.

This "thought reading" (as the term invented, I suppose I must use it) is not a new thing. It was, you may depend upon it, the origin of our hand shaking custom. I am extremely sensitive to the state or de-"Will you do something for me if I pay gree of feeling betrayed in a hand-shake, "Yes," replied the girl, "and glad to do greatly affects my judgment of character. "That's easy. I suppose the young lady when he meets a neighbor at a fair to whom how he had human feelings and it any him." "Called Back" is the title of a new meloshakes hands blusteringly, because he has to the heart to have men glare at him in a to pay for his drink. an intuition that if he were quite natural he baleful way and sneer. Minnie named a generous sum, and the would betray his design. An accomplished all right bub I wasn't going up anyway!"

A Montana girl has been kidnapped by a bear. She probably got one hug from the shake, unless when a courtship is going on alley and says: long, green land that was a favorite lovers' or a tender passion merely felt, I think I walk on Sunday evenings, but was quite could tell blindfold whether a Swiss, Ger-leys!"-Detroit Free Press. deserted on this particular occasion, a dark man, French, English, Scotch or Irish per-

girl stepped forward to meet him, dressed son was shaking hands with me. in bright red and black, with a great hat The Scotch hand grasp is the roughest; tipped over her face. Long black braids the Frenchman shakes hands with the tips I have a friend in the clothing business who, in all cases, tries to hide his little Taking the bill from him, I said: game, hates to offer his hand. To avoid "Well, Mr. —, you have a burner in the and the two are "all alone by themselves" doing so when he meets an Englishman, he cellar." rubs both his hands slowly together, as if "Yes, Sheneral, dare's a purner in the washing them. An enthusiast about ideas, cellar, but holy Moses, who efer heard of

We do more from custom than from reason. heard of people vashing py gas-light?"

How They Bought Him Out.

At least three-fourths of the efforts storted for the reform of abuses, public or private, when they fail, fail for want of earnest purpose. A cash boy in a New York store answered a request that any boys or girls should tell of any wrongs they

. Well, you see, I think swearin's bout as bad as anything us boys in our store do swearth' and chewin' tobacker. I don't chew, and lots of us boys don't; but then there's lots that does, little fellers not half as big as me, and some of em do swear

· Do your employers allow it? " asked

"Not if they knows it; but you don't s pose they swear at the boss? And them that chews, they don't chew on pay day." "And you think this might and ought to

"Yes, I do: and I thought, after I read bout the Reformed Club, that I'd like to other apartments in the house and came to a A woman must be a better actress than line, and so I'd see if I couldn't help stop

"But how did you manage it? I should

"Bought out! What do you mean?" to use no more, and so, every time he used ing at an average speed of less than sevenone of 'em he had to pay two cents."

The Elevator.

It was an elevator in a public building. When it was put in, the report rs were in-To morrow he would say good bye, and great curl at the back of her head, certainly vited to ride and describe its gorgeous finish,

"Be sure to mention that there is no ma

The elevator travelled its gait for two

"Not running to-day-pump out Next morning the elevator was again bob-

man rushed in and pushed at the electrical bell, his eyes fell upon a card reading: " Not running-weights out of order." seasons of rest and work. The owner of the work on account of the total powerlessness building changed boys, changed ropes, of the forearm and hand; the former had changed weights and stood around to make turned blue and seemed paralyzed, and both

to see a card out bearing the legend: "Not running to day." they elbowed each other out of the hall and closely to his body; at night he slept with were ready to fight. Strangers who wanted the arm under him, and thus succeeded in and the manner in which I am impressed to go to room ten on the fourth floor, en- so impeding the circulation as to create tered the hall with sleek, contented coun- much sympathy. The administration of a Frankness, shyness, cordiality, weakness of tenances, but left it with blood in their little chloroform ruined his game. "Lend me your dress for one night and will, richness of temperament, decision, eyes. If the elevator box was not disantipathy, jealousy, deceit, are revealed charged before the end of his first week he unconsciously in shaking hands. Irish Pat, threw up the job and went away without

girl promised to bring the dress to a certain coquette drills her hand not to let out her like there to day that elevator. It is a secret hopes, fears or desires. A Western It is there to day, that elevator. It is a American shakes hands with heartiness, base hypocrite an infernal betrayer of and a Wall street one with the hesitancy public confidence. It is ever tired. Every that reveals double-mindedness. The Scotch sort of weather makes it lazy. It's cush-And on the edge of the woods Minnie grasp of the hand, in common with that of lioned seats invite the leg-weary to sit and herself through the twilight, though it was girl, is very cordial. The virtue of social become exhausted the sad-eyed mured: "Ma, he's got one eye that don't go." bility is chiefly expressed in the Celtic hand- boy comes in from a game of marbles in the Vassar College girls are not allowed to "Not running to-day-fixing the pul- is no objection made to woman, children and

A Man Who Beat a Gas Company. Hub to his home in Kensington, "lives in

fell down her back, big hoop earrings shone of stiffened and drawn-together fingers, who denounces his gas bill as exorbitant. The fly to be almost invariably found in in her ears, and she was evidently one of which signifies that he walls himself round and sometimes comes to my office to see the restaurant bowl of turtle soup is not supthe people from the camp below—the gypsy with politeness as with a fortress, to keep about it. He lives in a palatial residence posed to have been placed there as seasoning off intruders. Never expect anything of a on Eighth st., and when he came in last by the cook, but to be a genuine case of "Johnny!" cried a mother to her boy, and which the sage, elderly authorities of person who shakes a soft hand in a limp week and handed me his bill I saw at once accidental drowning. About 9 P. M., Mr. Allen came suddenly who was yelling with the peculiar intensity the place were taking measures to banish, if way. I have had a wide experience of false that it was an unusually small one for such "Did you water the whiskey in that barrel of a small boy with the throttle wide open possible—but she looked cleaner, neater, cordiality, which was betrayed by "old an establishment as he keeps up. Being of common yet this morning?" asked the and boarding houses, have lost all woman and number of burners in his house, I de bucketful in it Saturday." "Oh, well, that's flerently, but to know that every mile and number of burners in his nouse, and saw, some two miles off, a way?" "Ma'am?" "I said what are you all evaporated by this time. Put in another thankful for past favors and hoping for load 'showing that he was indebted to the large glare of light that looked simply awful velling at ?" "I'm velling at the top of my large glare of light that looked simply awful velling at ?" "I'm velling at the top of my large glare of light that looked simply awful velling at ?" "I'm velling at the top of my large glare of light that looked simply awful velling at ?" "I'm sal exhibitions wanting puffs. An Italian, called for, but he was too much for me.

"You have a laundry?" "Laundry! Laundry you say! Who efer Lundborg's Perfume, Alpine Violet.

Well, you have burners in the kitchen,

haven't you? "Yes, day are dare, but ve nefer use em we haf five-e'clock dinners."

"Well, don't your servants use any in the

evening? "Vell, I'll tell you, Sheneral, ve haf the vorst hiret girls you efer seen. They are nefer in the house; day are out all times of night after dark."

· How about the dinning-room?" "Didn't I tell you ve haf five o'clock dinners, and the childrens always plays in

"Well, there's your sitting room?" "Sitting room! Ve nefer light the gas there; ve always sits on the front schteps. "Well, you surely have light in the hall?"

"Vy, yould you vant to preak a man up?" "Well, there's your handsomely furnished parlor? "Yes, ve haf nice parlors and ilegant fur

nisher, but we haven't hat a visitor for ofer Becoming discouraged, I skipped the

point where I thought I would be sure to catch him, and I asked: "How about your bed-chamber? You

surley use gas in that apartment?" Imagine my chagrin when, after a moment's hesitation, he answered :

"My ped-chamber? Vy, I tells you, Sheneral, ve haf burners there, but ve nefer use'em. My vife, she is a very modest voman, and always goes to ped in de dark." He got a rebate. - Cincinnati Enquirer.

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The Limits of Speed.

The statement recently made of the amount of coal consumed by the various "So you have three who have given it trans-Atlantic steamers in making their quick passages makes it pretty evident that "Yes, and another boy that we bought unless some great improvement is made in the direction of economizing fuel or of applying power we shall very soon reach the "Well, he had the biggest job lot of bad limit of speed to which steamers making words. Seemd's if he had all that had been long trips can hope to attain. The state left over from the whole trade. And we ment is that the steamer Oregon burned in just got him to take account of stock, and her quick trip across the Atlantic, during make a list of swear words, and we others which she averaged a little less than eighthat swore off, we formed a company and teen knots an hour, 337 tons of coal a day. agreed to buy the lot, at five cents apiece. The steamer Aurania, which sailed at the And, after we bought 'em, they wasn't his same time, but which had a longer trip, go-

teen knots per hour, burned 240 tons per day. The assumption is that it was the ninetyseven additional tons of coal that enabled Because she loves you, and would glad- and Jack's a real good fellow, and he said the Oregon to make ther quick trip. Some There it remains an instant, that when he slept an hour later than usual loved him though he was aware that she ly share her wealth with you," she answer he'd like to give it up, only they stuck to little time ago, in treating this subject, we in the morning all the business of the city had no aversion to him. When he came to ed, faintly. "Because it will break her him so he couldn't get rid of em without asserted that when a certain average speed with not be able to make another for mak "If you tell me the truth, gypsy, I am a And the editor went straight home, and all increase over this demanded a geometrinonse, and sne nad seemed to nim as lar re happy man," said Roger. "But I think before he took off his overcoat, wrote down cal increase in the quantity of fuel conthe "dodge," to show the young folks that sumed, and the experience of these two "Not now-not now, believe me. Go to one boy, at least, was in earnest about help. steamers very thoroughly substantiates the

such carnest that he will be glad to have coal extra a day to gain a little over one Roger Delany did not follow her. He sat his language corrected by some of the young knot an hour, it would be safe to assume cry of "Cash here!" as he has, ever since hundred tons additional coal to have gained "Still I must go," he said to himself, as he was eight years old.—Our Work at Home. two extra knots an hour. It will be seen that at this rate of progression a vessel would need to be converted into a species of coal-furnace in order to make much quicker trips than those now being made, and hence could not carry either passengers or freight to any great extent.

It is the compound marine engine that alone makes the present high rate of speed possible. The old Arabia and Persia used to burn 250 tons of coal per day when makchinery to get out of order. It is simple, ing an average speed of twelve or thirteen "I could not go without knowing this," durable, runs easily and costs nothing for knots per hour; but steamers have since been built, in consequence of the mechanical improvement referred to above, that And so they parted as lovers part, and days, but on the third, as a procession, averaged this rate of speed per diem with a headed by a fat man weighing 210 pounds, consumption of coal hardly over one-tenth entered the hall to be elevated to the variof that formerly required. But if some They met again long ago and were mar- ous floors above, the boy rose up from his corresponding improvement is not made in the application or conservatism of power, we are not likely to see much quicker time on the ocean than has recently been made. -Boston Globe.

> A skilful malignerer has been, by a very simple process, greatly puzzling the brain of the head surgeon of the French navy. The Then the elevator divided the year into "patient" complained of his inability to excuses and promises, but if the elevator were cold and clammy. The doctor nourwas all right one day, the next was certain ished the man handsomely for a month and

then discovered the trick. In the davtime the patient twisted the arm and, putting a Men growled. Then they swore. Then hard object in the arm pit, held the member

he wants to sell a horse with a hidden vice, boy, he lad human feelings, and it cut him drama. It is probably a sequel to "Forgot

A Montana girl has been kidnapped by a

A Burlington girl has a diary devoted entirely to noting down the visits of her beaux.

She calls it her court docket. As they passed a gentleman whose optics waited for the parcel, and carried it home the Irish peasant, 'squire, lady or country ascend, but they sit and sit, and when parcel, and carried it home the Irish peasant, 'squire, lady or country the lady

> "The pootiest woman in all Boston, said Mickey Muldoon on his return from the

> Philadelphia."

waiting for her fellow, five minutes seem to be about an hour's time; but after he comes, in the parlor, an hour seems to be about five minutes long.



